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HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 462
91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Agriculture, April 26, 2001, with recommendation that the House Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 462 Do Pass.

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 252.303, 252.306, 252.309, 252.315, 252.321, 252.324, 252.330, 252.333, 274.060, 278.220, 278.240, 278.245, 278.250, 278.280, 278.290, 278.300, 348.430, 348.432 and 409.401, RSMo 2000, and to enact in lieu thereof thirty-five new sections relating to agriculture, with a penalty provision and an emergency clause for a certain section.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 252.303, 252.306, 252.309, 252.315, 252.321, 252.324, 252.330,
2 252.333, 274.060, 278.220, 278.240, 278.245, 278.250, 278.280, 278.290, 278.300, 348.430,
3 348.432 and 409.401, RSMo 2000, are repealed and thirty-five new sections enacted in lieu
4 thereof, to be known as sections 252.303, 252.306, 252.309, 252.315, 252.321, 252.324,
5 252.330, 252.333, 262.800, 262.801, 262.802, 262.805, 262.810, 274.060, 278.220, 278.240,
6 278.245, 278.250, 278.280, 278.290, 278.300, 340.335, 340.337, 340.339, 340.341, 340.343,
7 340.345, 340.347, 340.350, 348.430, 348.432, 407.857, 409.401, 414.433 and 578.008, to read
8 as follows:

252.303. The department [shall] **may** develop and implement, in cooperation with the
2 University of Missouri college of agriculture, **the University of Missouri Center for**
3 **Agroforestry**, the University of Missouri extension service, the Missouri department of natural
4 resources, private industry councils[, the United States Department of Agriculture,] and the
5 Missouri department of agriculture, an agroforestry program. The program shall be designed to
6 [complement a new or extended federal conservation reserve plan which as part of its provisions

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

7 allows and encourages] **encourage** the development of a state program of agroforestry, and shall
8 encourage soil conservation and diversifications of the state's agricultural base through the use
9 of trees planted [or otherwise established in lanes with grass strips or row crops or both in
10 between the lanes] **in an agroforestry configuration to accommodate alley cropping,**
11 **forested-riparian buffers, silvopasture and windbreaks.**

252.306. As used in sections 252.300 to 252.333, the following terms shall mean:

2 (1) **"Alley cropping", planting rows of trees at wide spacings and cropping the**
3 **alleyways;**

4 (2) "Conservation reserve program", the conservation reserve program authorized by the
5 Federal Food Security Act of 1985, as amended, (Title XII, P.L. 99-198), or its successor
6 program;

7 [(2)] (3) "Department", the Missouri department of conservation;

8 [(3)] (4) "Director", the director of the Missouri department of conservation;

9 [(4)] (5) "Eligible land", agricultural land which is susceptible to soil erosion [and is
10 placed in the federal conservation reserve program as of or after August 28, 1990, or other highly
11 erosive land which is not enrolled in the conservation reserve program, as determined by the
12 director of the department] **that has a recent cropping history, marginal pasture land, land**
13 **surrounding livestock enclosures and riparian zones;**

14 (6) **"Eligible practices", single or multiple rows of trees, alone or combined with**
15 **other plants such as grass, conventional row crops or horticulture crops, and animals**
16 **located at intervals of distance within or around fields, around livestock enclosures, and**
17 **along streams and rivers, specifically designed to provide production and environmental**
18 **enhancement benefits in accordance with the practices identified in section 252.303;**

19 [(5)] (7) "Enhancement phase", the period of time, not to exceed ten years, immediately
20 following the establishment phase, during which payments are made by the state of Missouri to
21 landowners who use their eligible land for agroforestry purposes as required by the department;

22 [(6)] (8) "Establishment phase", the period of time during which eligible land is [placed
23 and held in the federal conservation reserve program or a six-month period for other highly
24 erosive land which is not enrolled in the conservation reserve program] **being prepared for**
25 **planting trees and developing agroforestry practices,** as determined by the director of the
26 department;

27 (9) **"Forested-riparian buffers", a combination of trees and other vegetative trees**
28 **established parallel to streams and rivers;**

29 (10) **"Silvopasture", combining trees with forage and livestock;**

30 (11) **"Windbreaks", planting single or multiple rows of trees for protection and**
31 **enhanced production of crops and animals.**

252.309. 1. The director may enter into agreements with individual landowners to make [such] **incentive** payments **during the enhancement phase** to landowners. Recipients of such payments shall utilize the land for which such payment is made for agroforestry purposes as required by the director [under] **pursuant to** sections 252.300 to 252.333. [In administering such payments, the director may make such agreements with the United States Department of Agriculture as the director deems necessary or appropriate.]

2. The amount of state incentive payment made to a landowner per acre of eligible land shall be [the lesser of:

(1)] an amount which, when added to any cash or in-kind **net** income produced by crops raised on the land, is substantially equal to the amount per acre previously paid or which would have been paid to the landowner under the federal conservation reserve program[; or

(2) An amount less than that provided in subdivision (1) of this subsection, if such lesser amount does not significantly reduce the number of acres for which agroforestry incentive payments are made under this section].

3. If an application made pursuant to section 252.315 is approved by the director, the director shall develop a schedule of annual payments to be made by the state.

4. The state shall not make any payment to a landowner to maintain the use of eligible land during the enhancement phase for agroforestry purposes after ten years have elapsed since the first such incentive payment is made.

252.315. 1. To participate in the program, the landowner shall make application to the director in writing. The written application shall show the number of acres to be placed in the program and that the land which is to be placed in the agroforestry program meets the eligibility requirements of this section. The application shall also contain a detailed plan of the landowner's proposal to meet the requirements of sections 252.300 to 252.333, including the type **and number** of [tree] **trees** to be planted, established, or managed, the type of compatible grass [and the row crop or crops to be grown in the alternative strips], **other crops** and such other information as may be deemed necessary. **The number of trees required to satisfy eligibility may vary with agroforestry practice, but in each case shall be a sufficient number to guarantee the success of the practice and shall be consistent with standards established for each practice.**

2. The director shall review each application. In reviewing the application the director shall determine the type or types of soil located in the area of the land proposed to be included in the agroforestry program and shall apply the land capability classification system to determine the potential or limitations of the land for inclusion in the program. Before the director acts upon the application, an on-site inspection shall be made by a representative of the department of conservation or its approved agent. The inspecting representative shall attest to the efficacy of

18 the agroforestry plan to be used, the number of acres to be placed under agroforestry
19 management, the species **and number** of trees to be planted, established, or managed, and
20 [agronomic] **other crop** components of the proposed program. After the report of the on-site
21 inspector and the review by the director, the director shall determine the landowner's eligibility
22 to participate in the agroforestry program and shall determine the amount of cost sharing,
23 including in-kind and labor components, for the landowner. If the director fails to approve an
24 application, the aggrieved landowner may request a hearing before the conservation commission
25 or its authorized representative within thirty days of notice to the landowner of the failure of the
26 conservation department to approve the application, or the landowner may proceed under the
27 provisions of section 536.150, RSMo, as if the act of the conservation department was one not
28 subject to administrative review. If an action is brought pursuant to section 536.150, RSMo,
29 venue shall be in Cole County.

252.321. [The director shall develop demonstration agroforestry conservation programs
2 to illustrate to landowners in this state the benefits and advantages of participation in such a
3 program. Demonstration sites shall be selected by the director to involve various soil types and
4 various erosion dangers and shall be geographically located among the major farming areas of
5 the state. The director shall contract with the University of Missouri extension service for the
6 delivery of the demonstration educational component of sections 252.300 to 252.333.] **The**
7 **University of Missouri center of agroforestry and extension service, in consultation with**
8 **the director, shall establish agroforestry demonstration areas, and develop and deliver the**
9 **educational components of sections 252.300 to 252.333.**

252.324. 1. The director may promulgate rules and regulations necessary to carry out
2 the provisions of sections 252.300 to 252.333. Before promulgating any such rule, the director
3 shall seek the advice and comments of the University of Missouri college of agriculture, **the**
4 **University of Missouri Center for Agroforestry**, the University of Missouri extension service,
5 the Missouri department of natural resources, private industry councils, [the United States
6 Department of Agriculture,] the Missouri department of economic development and the Missouri
7 department of agriculture. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated under the authority of this
8 chapter shall become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of
9 [section 536.024] **chapter 536**, RSMo.

10 2. The Missouri department of conservation may contract with the division of soil and
11 water conservation of the Missouri department of natural resources for any administrative
12 functions required under the provisions of sections 252.300 to 252.333.

252.330. During the establishment phase, the director may pay for the planting of trees
2 on eligible land which is used for agroforestry pursuant to sections 252.300 to 252.333. Such
3 payment shall be limited to expenses which are determined to be reasonable and necessary by

4 the director, **but shall not exceed seventy-five percent of the cost of establishment.**

252.333. The director may make incentive payments for agroforestry purposes of land
2 [which is susceptible to soil erosion] **enrolled in this program.** The duration of such payments
3 shall not exceed ten years. The director may also expend funds to plant trees on such land. Such
4 expenditures may include both planting and associated practices as determined by the director.

262.800. Sections 262.800 to 262.810 shall be known and may be cited as the
2 **"Farmland Protection Act". The purpose of the farmland protection act shall be to:**

3 **(1) Protect agricultural, horticultural and forestry land;**

4 **(2) Promote continued economic viability of agriculture, horticulture and forestry**
5 **as a business;**

6 **(3) Promote the continued economic viability of those businesses dependent on**
7 **providing materials, equipment and services to agriculture, horticulture and forestry;**

8 **(4) Promote quality of life in the agriculture community; and**

9 **(5) Protect owners of property used for farming purposes from unreasonable costs**
10 **associated with assessments for improvements running across the land.**

262.801. 1. For purposes of the farmland protection act, "farming purposes" shall
2 **be defined as at least three-fourths of the property used for farming, tillage of the soil,**
3 **dairy farming, ranching, production or raising of crops, poultry or livestock, breeding,**
4 **pasturing, training or boarding of equines or mules, and production of poultry or livestock**
5 **products in an unmanufactured state.**

262.802. 1. This state or any political subdivision of this state shall hold water and
2 **sewer assessments in abeyance, without interest, until improvements on such property are**
3 **connected to the water or sewer system for which the assessment was made.**

4 **2. The provisions of this section shall apply only to tracts of real property:**

5 **(1) Comprised of ten or more contiguous acres; and**

6 **(2) Used for farming purposes.**

7 **3. At the time improvements on such property are connected to the water or sewer**
8 **system, the owner shall pay to the political subdivision an amount equal to the**
9 **proportionate charge for the number of system lines connected to improvements on such**
10 **property.**

11 **4. The owner shall not be charged based on the total cost of running the water or**
12 **sewer system to or across the owner's real property. Rather, the assessment shall be based**
13 **on:**

14 **(1) A reasonable hookup charge;**

15 **(2) A proportionate charge for the number of improvements requested to be**
16 **connected to such assessments in relation to the total capacity of the system; and**

17 **(3) The anticipated proportionate burden to the system.**

18 **5. The period of abeyance shall end when the property ceases to be used for**
19 **farming purposes.**

20 **6. When the period of abeyance ends, the assessment is payable in accordance with**
21 **the terms set forth in the assessment resolution, so long as such terms are not inconsistent**
22 **with sections 262.800 to 262.810. To the extent that such terms are inconsistent, the**
23 **provisions of sections 262.800 to 262.810 shall control.**

24 **7. All statutes of limitation pertaining to action for enforcement of payment for**
25 **assessments shall be suspended during the time that any assessment is held in abeyance**
26 **without interest.**

27 **8. In addition to any other federal, state or local requirements concerning**
28 **assessments for improvements, the political subdivision responsible for assessments shall**
29 **notify owners of all properties which are proposed to be assessed of the amount proposed**
30 **to be charged and the terms of payment for each improvement and that the property may**
31 **be subject to protection according to the provisions of the Missouri farmland protection**
32 **act.**

33 **(1) The notice shall:**

34 **(a) Be provided in writing to the owners and all parties of recorded interest, at the**
35 **address listed on records of the county for the receipt of real property tax statements for**
36 **such tract of land;**

37 **(b) Be sent certified mail, return receipt requested, restricted delivery to addressee;**

38 **(c) Clearly state the total amount of the proposed assessment for said parcel of real**
39 **property;**

40 **(d) State in the body of the letter as follows:**

41 **"As owners of the property proposed to be assessed, you have one hundred eighty**
42 **days from the date of receipt of this notice to accept, in writing, the amount of the**
43 **assessment stated herein or to dispute the amount by filing an action in the circuit court**
44 **of the county where the real property is located. If your property is comprised of ten or**
45 **more contiguous acres, your property may be eligible for protection from payment of the**
46 **assessment under the Missouri Farmland Protection Act as provided in chapter 262,**
47 **RSMo, and you have sixty days from the date of receipt of this notice to notify (the political**
48 **subdivision proposing the assessment), in writing, of your intent to claim protection for**
49 **your property under the Act. Whether or not you claim the protection under the**
50 **Farmland Protection Act, you have the right to dispute the amount of the assessment in**
51 **circuit court.";**

52 **(e) Owners must be given the address for sending notice to the political subdivision**

53 with the letter; and

54 (f) A copy of the farmland protection act shall be included with the letter.

55 (2) An owner claiming protection under the farmland protection act does not forfeit
56 the right to contest the amount of the assessment.

57 9. Any owner of property proposed to be assessed who chooses to dispute the
58 amount of the assessment, shall file an action disputing the amount of the assessment in the
59 circuit court of the county in which the real property subject to the assessment is located.
60 The action disputing the assessment must be filed within one hundred eighty days of
61 receipt of the notice in subsection 8 of this section.

62 10. Any political subdivision that disputes the applicability of the farmland
63 protection act to property proposed to be assessed shall file an action in the circuit court
64 of the county in which the real property subject to the assessment is located to dispute the
65 applicability of the farmland protection act to said parcel of real property. Such action
66 must be filed within thirty days of receipt of the notice of the claim for protection under
67 the farmland protection act.

68 11. Nothing in this section shall be construed as diminishing the authority of
69 counties or other political subdivisions to hold assessments in abeyance.

70 12. The provisions of this section shall not apply to public water supply districts as
71 defined by sections 247.010 to 247.227, RSMo, except that a public water supply district
72 shall not require payment from landowners whose property is crossed to service another
73 tract of land until the owner of such property crossed requests connection to the rural
74 water supply district. At the time such connection is requested, the provisions of the
75 farmland protection act shall apply.

76 13. In a city with a population of at least four hundred thousand located in more
77 than one county, the assessments on a tract of property entitled to protection pursuant to
78 the provisions of the farmland protection act shall be held in abeyance except that an initial
79 payment of an amount not to exceed five hundred dollars per acre of the tract, up to an
80 amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars may be assessed at the time of final judgment
81 concerning the amount of the assessment or upon mutual agreement of the parties as to the
82 amount of the assessment. In all other respects, the provisions of the farmland protection
83 act shall apply.

84 14. If a political subdivision files an action to have all or a portion of sections
85 262.800 to 262.810 declared null and void or for declaratory judgment, the owner of the
86 property for purposes of this section shall be considered a state agency and shall be
87 provided legal defense or representation by the state of Missouri. If the political
88 subdivision is declared to have lost, in whole or in part, in the proceedings, the cost of

89 providing defense to the landowner, including reasonable attorney fees and costs, shall be
90 fully reimbursed to the state of Missouri by the political subdivision.

262.805. Purchasers of real property within one mile of areas zoned for agriculture
2 or used for farming purposes as defined by the farmland protection act contained in
3 sections 262.800 to 262.810, shall be presumed to have notice of such agriculture zoning or
4 use for farming purposes. Agricultural zoned land or land used for farming purposes may
5 be used for commercial or hobby operations that may include but is not limited to the
6 following: breeding and rearing of livestock, weaning and treating of livestock, raising and
7 harvesting of crops, application of fertilizers and pesticides, dust, noise, odors, gunfire,
8 burning, extended hours of operation, seasonal operations, timber operations, cultivated
9 and idle land. Agriculture operations typically consist of open and timbered spaces that
10 are private property and are not open to the public or to public access. Agriculture
11 operations contain many hazards, including but not limited to, open water (including
12 ponds, streams, ditches), open pits, brush, brush piles, snakes, untamed and unpredictable
13 animals, electric and barbed fences, storage building and structure, tractors and
14 equipment, and hidden obstacles. Children and adults are not permitted to roam, play or
15 trespass on farm or agriculture property.

262.810. Property subject to the farmland protection act shall not be taken in whole
2 or in part by any political subdivision of this state by eminent domain except after a public
3 hearing pursuant to chapter 610, RSMo.

274.060. Each association incorporated under this chapter shall have the following
2 powers:

3 (1) To engage in any activity in connection with the marketing, selling, preserving,
4 harvesting, drying, processing, manufacturing, canning, packing, grading, storing, handling or
5 utilization of any agricultural products produced or delivered to it by its members; the
6 manufacturing or marketing of the by-products thereof; any activity in connection with the
7 purchase, hiring or use by its members of supplies, machinery or equipment; in the financing of
8 any such activities; or in any one or more of the activities specified in this section. [No] **The**
9 association[, however, shall handle agricultural products of nonmembers nor furnish supplies to
10 nonmembers, in any business year, to an amount greater in value than the agricultural products
11 or the supplies, as the case may be, as are handled for or furnished to members] **shall do at least**
12 **twenty-five percent of its business with its members;**

13 (2) To borrow money without limitation as to amount of corporate indebtedness or
14 liability; and to make advance payments and advances to members;

15 (3) To act as the agent or representative of any member or members in any of the above
16 mentioned activities;

17 (4) To buy, lease, hold and exercise all privileges of ownership, over such real or
18 personal property as may be necessary or convenient for the conduct and operation of any of the
19 business of the association, or incidental thereto;

20 (5) To establish, secure, own and develop patents, trademarks and copyrights;

21 (6) To do each and everything necessary, suitable or proper for the accomplishment of
22 any one of the purposes or the attainment of any one or more of the objects herein enumerated;
23 or conducive to or expedient for the interest or benefit of the association; to contract accordingly;
24 and in addition to exercise and possess all powers, rights and privileges necessary or incidental
25 to the purposes for which the association is organized or to the activities in which it is engaged
26 or any other rights, powers, and privileges granted by the laws of this state to ordinary
27 corporations, except such as are inconsistent with the express provisions of this chapter.

278.220. 1. If the proposed [subdistrict] **watershed district** lies in more than one soil
2 and water conservation district, the petition may be presented to the board of soil and water
3 district supervisors of any one of the districts, and the soil and water supervisors of all the
4 districts shall act jointly as a board of soil and water district supervisors with respect **only** to [all]
5 matters concerning the [subdistrict, including its] formation, **consolidation, expansion,**
6 **disestablishment or eminent domain activities of the watershed district.** They shall organize
7 as a single board for such purposes and shall designate the chairman, vice chairman, and
8 secretary-treasurer to serve for terms of one year. [After organizing, they may continue to meet
9 as a single board for purposes of governing the subdistrict or they may meet as individual county
10 boards and act, individually, on the minutes of meetings of the trustees of the subdistrict, as
11 specified in section 278.240]. A [subdistrict] **watershed district** which lies in more than one
12 soil and water conservation district shall be formed in the same manner and shall have the same
13 powers and duties as a [subdistrict] **watershed district** formed in one soil and water
14 conservation district.

15 2. Following the entry in the official minutes of the board or boards of soil and water
16 district supervisors of the creation of the [subdistrict] **watershed district**, the soil and water
17 supervisors shall certify this fact on a separate form, authentic copies of which shall be recorded
18 with the recorder of deeds of each county in which any portion of the [subdistrict] **watershed**
19 **district** lies, and with the state soil and water districts commission.

278.240. 1. The board of soil and water conservation district supervisors of **the** soil and
2 water conservation district in which the [subdistrict] **watershed district** is formed shall [be the
3 governing body of the subdistrict] **act in an advisory capacity to the watershed district board.**
4 When a [subdistrict] **watershed district** lies in more than one soil and water conservation
5 district, the combined boards of soil and water conservation district supervisors shall [be the
6 governing body] **act in an advisory capacity to the watershed district board.**

7 2. Five [persons living] **landowners** within the [subdistrict] **watershed district** shall be
8 elected to serve as trustees of the [subdistrict] **watershed district**. The trustees shall be elected
9 by a [majority] vote of [all] landowners participating in the referendum for the establishment of
10 the [subdistrict] **watershed district**, but the date of the election shall not fall upon the date of
11 any regular political election held in the county. The ballot submitting the proposition to form
12 the [subdistrict] **watershed district** shall be so worded as to clearly state that a tax, not to exceed
13 forty cents on one hundred dollars valuation of all real estate within the [subdistrict, will]
14 **watershed district, may** be authorized if the [subdistrict] **watershed district** is formed. In
15 [subdistricts] **watershed districts** formed after September 28, 1977, two trustees shall be elected
16 for a term of six years, two shall be elected for a term of four years, and one shall be elected for
17 a term of two years. Their successors shall be elected for terms of six years. In any district in
18 existence on September 28, 1977, the three trustees holding office shall continue as trustees. At
19 the next scheduled election within the [subdistrict] **watershed district**, two additional trustees
20 shall be elected. One of the additional trustees shall be elected for a term of four years and one
21 shall be elected for a term of six years. Each successor shall be elected for a term of six years.
22 **In case of the death, loss of landowner standing within the watershed district, or**
23 **resignation from office of any elected watershed district trustee, his or her successor to the**
24 **unexpired term shall be appointed by the trustees of that watershed district. A trustee may**
25 **succeed himself or herself by reelection in this office.** The trustees shall elect one of their
26 members as chairman and one of their members as secretary to serve for terms of two years.

27 3. [If the governing board so designates] The trustees [may] **shall** act in all matters
28 pertaining to the [subdistrict] **watershed district**, except those concerning formation,
29 consolidation, expansion or disestablishment of the [subdistrict] **watershed district**. [All
30 official actions taken by the trustees, however, shall be subject to the ratification of a majority
31 of the governing boards of the individual soil and water conservation districts from which the
32 subdistrict was formed. No actions taken by the trustees shall become effective until ratification
33 of a majority of the governing boards has taken place. At the next regular meeting following any
34 meeting of the trustees, each governing board may place on their agenda for approval or
35 disapproval the actions taken by the trustees. Failure to take action by any board shall be
36 construed as disapproval of all actions taken by the trustees. It shall be the responsibility of the
37 secretary of the trustees to see that each governing board has a copy of the minutes of each
38 meeting held by the trustees at least two days prior to the next regular meetings of these boards.
39 If the governing board shall decide to continue meeting as a single board for purposes of
40 governing the subdistrict, the trustees shall serve as an advisory body only. The trustees shall be
41 reimbursed for mileage expense incurred in the attendance of meetings of the governing body
42 of the subdistrict and shall also be reimbursed for mileage expense incurred in the attendance of

43 meetings of their own members. One trustee per meeting may be reimbursed for mileage
44 expense incurred in the attendance of meetings of the governing boards of the individual soil and
45 water conservation districts from which the subdistrict was formed.] **It shall be the**
46 **responsibility of the secretary of the trustees to see that each soil and water district board**
47 **included in the watershed district is provided a copy of the minutes of each meeting held**
48 **by the trustees. The trustees shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred relating to the**
49 **business of the watershed district.**

278.245. [The governing body of the subdistrict or the trustees of the subdistrict, when
2 acting with the approval of the governing body as provided in section 278.240, shall have, in
3 addition to other authority granted in other sections of this law, the following authority in
4 governing subdistricts] **The trustees of the watershed district shall have the following**
5 **authority:**

6 (1) To acquire, by purchase, exchange, lease, gift, grant, bequest, devise, or otherwise,
7 or through condemnation proceedings [in the manner provided in] **pursuant to** chapter 523,
8 RSMo, such lands, easements, or rights-of-way as are needed to carry out any authorized purpose
9 of the [subdistrict] **watershed district**; provided that notwithstanding any provision of law to
10 the contrary, the power of eminent domain shall not be exercised:

11 (a) Over the protest of any landowner until it is established that acquisition of the land
12 proposed to be condemned is necessary for the purposes of the [subdistrict] **watershed district**;
13 and to sell, lease or otherwise dispose of any of its property or interest therein [in furtherance of
14 the purposes and provisions of] **pursuant to** sections 278.160 to 278.300; **and**

15 (b) **Unless four trustees vote in favor of the use of such power in such case.**
16 **Following approval by the trustees, a majority vote of the soil and water supervisors of all**
17 **the districts included in such watershed district shall also be required prior to any use of**
18 **the power of eminent domain;**

19 (2) To construct, repair, enlarge, improve, operate, and maintain such works of
20 improvement as may be necessary for the performance of any of the operations authorized by
21 sections 278.160 to 278.300;

22 (3) To borrow money and to execute promissory notes and other evidences of debt in
23 connection therewith for payment of the costs and expenses or for carrying out any authorized
24 purpose of such [subdistrict] **watershed district**, and if promissory notes are issued, to execute
25 such mortgages on any property owned by such district, or assign or pledge such revenues or
26 assessments of such [subdistrict] **watershed district** as may be required by the lender as security
27 for the repayment of the loan; and to issue, negotiate, and sell its bonds [as provided in]
28 **pursuant to** section 278.280;

29 (4) To levy an annual tax and organization tax on the real property within the

30 [subdistrict] **watershed district** subject to the limitations provided in section 278.250 for
31 payment of the costs for carrying out any authorized purpose of such [subdistrict] **watershed**
32 **district**;

33 (5) To make assessments on the real property within the [subdistrict] **watershed district**
34 for special benefits to such real property accruing as a result of the construction of any works of
35 improvement by the [subdistrict] **watershed district**.

278.250. 1. In order to facilitate the preliminary work of the [subdistrict the governing
2 body of the subdistrict or] **watershed district**, the trustees of the [subdistrict, when acting with
3 the approval of the governing body as provided in section 278.240] **watershed district**, may levy
4 an organization tax [of] not to exceed forty cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation
5 of all real estate within the [subdistrict] **watershed district**, the proceeds of which may be used
6 for organization and administration expenses of the [subdistrict,] **watershed district** the
7 acquisition of real and personal property, including easements for rights-of-way, necessary to
8 carry out the purposes of the [subdistrict] **watershed district**. This levy may be made one time
9 only. The organization tax may be imposed [as provided for in] **pursuant to** subsections 4 and
10 5 of this section.

11 2. After the [governing body or] the trustees of the [subdistrict, when acting with the
12 approval of the governing body as provided in section 278.240,] **watershed district** have
13 obtained agreements to carry out recommended soil conservation measures and proper farm
14 plans from owners of not less than sixty-five percent of the lands situated in the [subdistrict]
15 **watershed district**, an annual tax may be imposed for construction, repair, alteration,
16 maintenance and operation of the present and future works of improvement within the
17 boundaries of the [subdistrict] **watershed district** in order to participate in funds from federal
18 sources appropriated for watershed protection and flood prevention. The annual tax may be
19 imposed as provided for in subsections 4 and 5 of this section.

20 3. Within the first quarter of each calendar year, the trustees for the [subdistrict]
21 **watershed district** shall prepare an itemized budget of the funds needed for administration of
22 the [subdistrict] **watershed district** and for construction, operation and maintenance of works
23 of improvement for the ensuing fiscal year. The budget shall be subject to the approval of the
24 [governing body of the subdistrict as provided in] **watershed district trustees pursuant to**
25 section 278.240.

26 4. The [governing body or] the trustees of the [subdistrict, when acting with the approval
27 of the governing body as provided in section 278.240,] **watershed district, pursuant to section**
28 **278.240**, shall make the necessary levy on the assessed valuation of all real estate within the
29 boundaries of the [subdistrict] **watershed district** to raise the needed amounts, but in no event
30 shall the levy exceed forty cents on each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation per annum

31 and, on or before the first day of September of each year, shall certify the rate of levy to the
32 county commission of the county or counties within which the [subdistrict] **watershed district**
33 is located with directions that at the time and in the same manner required by law for the levy
34 of taxes for county purposes the county commission shall levy a tax at the rate so fixed and
35 determined upon the assessed valuation of all real estate within the [subdistrict] **watershed**
36 **district**, in addition to such other taxes as are levied by the county commission.

37 5. The body having authority to levy taxes within the county shall levy the taxes
38 provided in this law, and all officials charged with the duty of collecting taxes shall collect the
39 taxes at the time and in the form and manner and with like interest and penalties as other taxes
40 are collected; computation shall be made on the regular tax bills, and when collected shall pay
41 the same to the [subdistrict] **watershed district** ordering its levy and collection or entitled to the
42 same, and the payment of such collections shall be made monthly to the treasurer of the
43 [subdistrict] **watershed district**. The proceeds shall be kept in a separate account by the
44 treasurer of the [subdistrict] **watershed district** and identified by the official name of the
45 [subdistrict] **watershed district** in which the levy was made. Expenditures from the fund shall
46 be made on requisition of the chairman and secretary of the [governing body of the subdistrict
47 or, alternately, on requisition of the chairman of the governing body of the subdistrict and the
48 chairman of the trustees of the subdistrict] **watershed district board of trustees**.

49 6. All taxes levied under this law, together with interest thereon and penalties for default
50 in payment thereof, and all costs of collecting the same, shall, until paid, constitute a perpetual
51 lien on and against the property taxed, and such lien shall be on a parity with the tax lien of
52 general taxes, and no sale of such property to enforce any general tax or other lien shall
53 extinguish the perpetual lien of [subdistrict] **watershed district** taxes.

54 7. If the taxes levied are not paid as provided in this section, then the delinquent real
55 property shall be sold at the regular tax sale for the payment of the taxes, interest and penalties,
56 in the manner provided by the statutes of the state of Missouri for selling property for the
57 nonpayment of general taxes. If there are no bids at the tax sale for the property so offered, the
58 property shall be struck off to the county or other agency provided by law, and the county or
59 agency shall account to the district in the same manner as provided by law for accounting for
60 school, town, and city taxes.

61 8. For purposes of section 22 of article X of the Constitution of Missouri, the tax
62 authorized in the ballot submitting the proposition to form the [subdistrict] **watershed district**
63 under section 278.240, if approved by a majority of the voters on or prior to November 4, 1980,
64 shall be deemed the current levy authorized by law on November 4, 1980, if on that date a levy
65 was not actually imposed or was imposed in a lesser amount. This tax shall also be considered
66 as the 1984 tax for purposes of section 137.073, RSMo, in the event no levy was imposed by the

67 [subdistrict] **watershed district** for that year.

278.280. 1. When a plan of work is approved the [governing body or] the trustees of the
2 [subdistrict, when acting with the approval of the governing body as provided in] **watershed**
3 **district, pursuant to** section 278.240, shall then by resolution propose that the cost of all works
4 of improvement contemplated in the plan be paid either by a general levy against all real estate
5 in the [subdistrict] **watershed district**, subject to the limitations of section 278.250, or that such
6 cost be paid by special assessment against lands within the [subdistrict] **watershed district** to
7 be benefited by the installation of the proposed works of improvement, or that such cost be paid
8 by both such general levy and special assessment stating the portion to be paid by each method.

9 2. If the resolution of financing provides that all or any part of the cost of the works of
10 improvement is to be paid by special assessment of benefits [the governing body or] the trustees
11 of the [subdistrict, when acting with the approval of the governing body as provided in]
12 **watershed district, pursuant to** section 278.240, shall appoint three appraisers, who shall be
13 residents of the state of Missouri, and who shall not be landowners in such [subdistrict]
14 **watershed district**, who shall recommend apportionment of the special assessment to the tracts
15 of land which will receive benefits from the installation of the works of improvement proposed
16 in the plan of work. The appraisers shall have access to all available engineering reports and data
17 pertaining to the works contemplated and may request additional legal counsel or engineering
18 data from a registered professional engineer as found necessary to carry out their duties.

19 3. The appraisers shall proceed to view the premises and determine the value of all land
20 or other property within or without the [subdistrict] **watershed district**, to be acquired and used
21 for rights-of-way or other works set out in the plan of work; they shall assess the amount of
22 benefits, and the amount of damage if any, that will accrue to each governmental lot, forty-acre
23 tract or other subdivision of land according to ownership, railroad and other rights-of-way,
24 railroad roadways, and other property from carrying out and putting into effect the plan of work
25 heretofore adopted, and shall make written reports of their findings to the [governing board of
26 the subdistrict] **trustees of the watershed district**. Each appraiser so appointed shall be paid
27 [fifteen dollars per day] for his **or her** services and necessary expenses [in addition thereto].

28 4. Upon receiving the report from the appraisers, [the governing body or] the trustees of
29 the [subdistrict, when acting with the approval of the governing body as provided in] **watershed**
30 **district, pursuant to** section 278.240, shall prepare a resolution which shall contain a list of the
31 tracts of land found to be benefited and the amount of assessment to be levied against each such
32 tract, except that no such assessment against any tract of land shall exceed the estimated benefits
33 to such land by such project. Such tracts of land shall be legally described and the names of the
34 owners thereof shall be set forth beside the description of each tract so listed. After adopting
35 such resolution [the governing body or] the trustees of the [subdistrict, when acting with the

36 approval of the governing body as provided in] **watershed district, pursuant to** section
37 278.240, shall fix a time and place for hearing any complaint that may be made as to the benefit
38 to any tract of land appraised, notice of which hearing shall be given by the secretary by
39 publication [as in] **pursuant to** section 278.190. The board **or trustees** at the hearing may alter
40 the benefits to any tract if, in its judgment, the same has been appraised too high or too low. The
41 hearing shall be conducted in the manner set forth in section 278.200. The [governing body or
42 the] trustees of the [subdistrict, when acting with the approval of the governing body as provided
43 in] **watershed district, pursuant to** section 278.240, shall immediately after the hearing pass
44 a resolution fixing the benefit assessment as to each tract of land.

45 5. After the resolution fixing the benefit assessment has been adopted [the governing
46 body or] the trustees of the [subdistrict, when acting with the approval of the governing body as
47 provided in] **watershed district, pursuant to** section 278.240, shall submit the proposal for
48 collection of such assessed benefits to the owners of the lands so assessed for approval and if
49 bonds are to be issued the amount of the issue so proposed, the rate of interest, and the amount
50 of any necessary tax levy in excess of the amount authorized in section 278.250. If two-thirds
51 of the owners of such lands voting favor the proposal as submitted, it shall be adopted. The
52 provisions of sections 278.190 to 278.210 as to notice and procedure shall apply to the
53 referendum held [under] **pursuant to** this section.

54 6. The [governing body or the] trustees of the [subdistrict, when acting with the approval
55 of the governing body as provided in] **watershed district, pursuant to** section 278.240, shall
56 make the necessary general levy against all real estate in the [subdistrict] **watershed district** and
57 the special assessment against lands within the [subdistrict] **watershed district** to be benefited
58 by the improvement and shall certify the rate of levy and the amount of the special assessment
59 to the county commission of the county or counties in which the [subdistrict] **watershed district**
60 is located with directions that at the time and in the same manner required by law for the levy
61 of taxes for county purposes the county commission shall levy a tax at the rate so fixed and
62 determined upon the assessed valuation of all real estate within the [subdistrict] **watershed**
63 **district** and shall levy the amount of the special assessment, in addition to such other taxes as
64 are levied by the county commission.

65 7. The bond issue, authorized by this section in whole or part, may be offered for sale
66 to the [Farmers Home Administration] **United States Department of Agriculture's Rural**
67 **Development** or other federal agency without public offering or the securing of competitive bids
68 on such bond offering.

278.290. 1. After a [subdistrict] **watershed district** has been organized for more than
2 five years and [said subdistrict] **that watershed district** does not have any outstanding bonds,
3 has not constructed or contracted to construct any works of improvement, nor incurred any

4 continuing obligations for maintenance and operation of any works of improvement or if any
5 works of improvement have been constructed, if there are no bonds outstanding, and an agency
6 of the United States government or the state of Missouri or a county or municipal corporation
7 of this state has made arrangements satisfactory to the Secretary of Agriculture and the state soil
8 and water districts commission to assume responsibility for operating and maintaining such
9 improvement, not less than fifty percent of the landowners of the [subdistrict] **watershed district**
10 may petition the governing body of the [subdistrict] **watershed district** to call for and conduct
11 a referendum upon the disestablishment of the [subdistrict] **watershed district**. If sixty-five
12 percent of the landowners voting in referendum do vote in favor of the disestablishment of the
13 [subdistrict] **watershed district**, the [governing body] **watershed district board** shall declare
14 the [subdistrict] **watershed district** to be disestablished; however, prior to any such declaration
15 the [governing body] **watershed district board** shall pay or make arrangements to pay any
16 outstanding indebtedness. The provisions of sections 278.190, 278.200 and 278.210 as to notice,
17 qualification of voters and manner of holding the referendum in organizing a [subdistrict]
18 **watershed district** to the extent practicable shall apply to the referendum held [under] **pursuant**
19 **to** this section.

20 2. Following the entry in the official minutes of the board or boards of [soil and water
21 conservation] **watershed** district supervisors of the disestablishment of the [subdistrict]
22 **watershed district**, the [soil and water conservation] **watershed** district supervisors shall certify
23 this fact on a separate form, authentic copies of which shall be recorded with the recorder of
24 deeds of each county in which any portion of the [subdistrict] **watershed district** lies, and with
25 the state soil and water districts commission.

26 3. Whenever a [subdistrict] **watershed district** is declared to be disestablished, the
27 respective boards of supervisors of the soil and water conservation districts in which the
28 [subdistrict] **watershed district** was formed shall take charge of all property and funds of the
29 [subdistrict] **watershed district**. After all property has been sold and the obligations of the
30 [subdistrict] **watershed district** are met, any remaining funds shall be turned over to the county
31 commissions of the respective counties.

 278.300. If a soil and water conservation district is disestablished [as provided by]
2 **pursuant to** section 278.150, the state soil and water districts commission shall [become the
3 governing body of any subdistrict] **have the same responsibilities as the soil and water**
4 **conservation district with respect to formation, consolidation and disestablishment of any**
5 **watershed district** or portion thereof, organized within the boundaries of such soil and water
6 conservation districts [and shall be entitled to all benefits and powers heretofore granted to such
7 governing body by sections 278.160 to 278.300, including the levy and collection of taxes]. **In**
8 **all other matters after a district is disestablished, the commission shall act in an advisory**

9 capacity to the watershed district board in lieu of the soil and water district board.

340.335. 1. Sections 340.335 to 340.350 establish a loan repayment program for
2 graduates of approved veterinary medical schools who practice in areas of defined need
3 and shall be known as the "Large Animal Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment
4 Program".

5 2. The "Large Animal Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment Program Fund" is
6 hereby created in the state treasury. All funds recovered from an individual pursuant to
7 section 340.347 and all funds generated by loan repayments and penalties received
8 pursuant to section 340.347 shall be credited to the fund. The moneys in the fund shall be
9 used by the Missouri veterinary medical board to provide loan repayments pursuant to
10 section 340.343 in accordance with sections 340.335 to 340.350.

340.337. As used in sections 340.335 to 340.350, the following terms shall mean:

2 (1) "Areas of defined need", areas designated by the board pursuant to section
3 340.339, when services of a large animal veterinarian are needed to improve the
4 client-doctor ratio in the area, or to contribute professional veterinary services to an area
5 of economic impact;

6 (2) "Board", the Missouri veterinary medical board;

7 (3) "Large animal veterinarian", veterinarians licensed and registered pursuant
8 to this chapter, engaged in general or large animal practice as their primary specialties,
9 and who have at least fifty percent of their practice devoted to large animal veterinary
10 medicine.

340.339. The board shall designate counties, communities or sections of rural areas
2 as areas of defined need as determined by the board by rule.

340.341. 1. The board shall adopt and promulgate rules establishing standards for
2 determining eligible persons for loan repayment pursuant to sections 340.335 to 340.350.
3 Such standards shall include, but are not limited to the following:

4 (1) Citizenship or permanent residency in the United States;

5 (2) Residence in the state of Missouri;

6 (3) Enrollment as a full-time veterinary medical student in the final year of a course
7 of study offered by an approved educational institution in Missouri;

8 (4) Application for loan repayment.

9 2. The board shall not grant repayment for more than five veterinarians each year.

340.343. 1. The board shall enter into a contract with each individual qualifying
2 for repayment of educational loans. The written contract between the board and an
3 individual shall contain, but not be limited to, the following:

4 (1) An agreement that the state agrees to pay on behalf of the individual, loans in

5 accordance with section 340.345 and the individual agrees to serve for a time period equal
6 to five years, or such longer period as the individual may agree to, in an area of defined
7 need, such service period to begin within one year of the signed contract or graduation by
8 the individual with a degree of doctor of veterinary medicine, whichever is later;

9 (2) A provision that any financial obligations arising out of a contract entered into
10 and any obligation of the individual which is conditioned thereon is contingent upon funds
11 being appropriated for loan repayments;

12 (3) The area of defined need where the person will practice;

13 (4) A statement of the damages to which the state is entitled for the individual's
14 breach of the contract;

15 (5) Such other statements of the rights and liabilities of the board and of the
16 individual not inconsistent with sections 340.335 to 340.350.

17 2. The board may stipulate specific practice sites contingent upon board generated
18 large animal veterinarian need priorities where applicants shall agree to practice for the
19 duration of their participation in the program.

340.345. 1. A loan payment provided for an individual pursuant to a written
2 contract under the large animal veterinary medicine loan repayment program shall consist
3 of payment on behalf of the individual of the principal, interest and related expenses on
4 government and commercial loans received by the individual for tuition, fees, books,
5 laboratory and living expenses incurred by the individual.

6 2. For each year of obligated services that an individual contracts to serve in an
7 area of defined need, the board may pay up to ten thousand dollars on behalf of the
8 individual for loans described in subsection 1 of this section.

9 3. The board may enter into an agreement with the holder of the loans for which
10 repayments are made under the large animal veterinary medicine loan repayment program
11 to establish a schedule for the making of such payments if the establishment of such a
12 schedule would result in reducing the costs to the state.

13 4. Any qualifying communities providing a portion of a loan repayment shall be
14 considered first for placement.

340.347. 1. An individual who has entered into a written contract with the board
2 or an individual who is enrolled in a course of study and fails to maintain an acceptable
3 level of academic standing in the educational institution in which such individual is
4 enrolled or voluntarily terminates such enrollment or is dismissed from such educational
5 institution before completion of such course of study or fails to become licensed pursuant
6 to this chapter within one year after graduation shall be liable to the state for the amount
7 which has been paid on such individual's behalf pursuant to the contract.

8 **2. If an individual breaches the written contract of the individual by failing either**
9 **to begin such individual's service obligation or to complete such service obligation, the state**
10 **shall be entitled to recover from the individual an amount equal to the sum of:**

11 **(1) The total of the amounts paid by the state on behalf of the individual, including**
12 **interest; and**

13 **(2) An amount equal to the unserved obligation penalty, which is the total number**
14 **of months of obligated service which were not completed by an individual, multiplied by**
15 **five hundred dollars.**

16 **3. The board may act on behalf of a qualified community to recover from an**
17 **individual described in subsections 1 and 2 of this section the portion of a loan repayment**
18 **paid by such community for such individual.**

340.350. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated pursuant to the authority of
2 **sections 340.335 to 340.350 shall become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant**
3 **to the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo.**

 348.430. 1. The tax credit created in this section shall be known as the "Agricultural
2 Product Utilization Contributor Tax Credit".

3 2. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

4 (1) "Authority", the agriculture and small business development authority as provided
5 in this chapter;

6 (2) "Contributor", an individual, partnership, corporation, trust, limited liability
7 company, entity or person that contributes cash funds to the authority;

8 (3) "Development facility", a facility producing either a good derived from an
9 agricultural commodity or using a process to produce a good derived from an agricultural
10 product;

11 (4) "Eligible new generation cooperative", a nonprofit cooperative association formed
12 pursuant to chapter 274, RSMo, or incorporated pursuant to chapter 357, RSMo, for the purpose
13 of operating a development facility or a renewable fuel production facility;

14 (5) "Renewable fuel production facility", a facility producing an energy source which is
15 derived from a renewable, domestically grown, organic compound capable of powering
16 machinery, including an engine or power plant, and any by-product derived from such energy
17 source.

18 3. For tax year 1999, a contributor who contributes funds to the authority may receive
19 a credit against the tax **or estimated quarterly tax** otherwise due pursuant to chapter 143,
20 RSMo, other than taxes withheld pursuant to sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo, chapter 148,
21 RSMo, chapter 147, RSMo, in an amount of up to one hundred percent of such contribution.
22 The awarding of such credit shall be at the approval of the authority, based on the least amount

23 of credits necessary to provide incentive for the contributions. A contributor that receives tax
24 credits for a contribution to the authority shall receive no other consideration or compensation
25 for such contribution, other than a federal tax deduction, if applicable, and goodwill. A
26 contributor that receives tax credits for a contribution provided in this section may not be a
27 member, owner, investor or lender of an eligible new generation cooperative that receives
28 financial assistance from the authority either at the time the contribution is made or for a period
29 of two years thereafter.

30 4. A contributor shall submit to the authority an application for the tax credit authorized
31 by this section on a form provided by the authority. If the contributor meets all criteria
32 prescribed by this section and the authority, the authority shall issue a tax credit certificate in the
33 appropriate amount. Tax credits issued pursuant to this section shall initially be claimed for the
34 taxable year in which the contributor contributes funds to the authority. Any amount of credit
35 that exceeds the tax due for a contributor's taxable year may be carried forward to any of the
36 contributor's five subsequent taxable years. Tax credits issued pursuant to this section may be
37 assigned, transferred or sold. Whenever a certificate of tax credit is assigned, transferred, sold
38 or otherwise conveyed, a notarized endorsement shall be filed with the authority specifying the
39 name and address of the new owner of the tax credit or the value of the credit.

40 5. The funds derived from contributions in this section shall be used for financial
41 assistance or technical assistance for the purposes provided in section 348.407, to rural
42 agricultural business concepts as approved by the authority. The authority may provide or
43 facilitate loans, equity investments, or guaranteed loans for rural agricultural business concepts,
44 but limited to two million dollars per project or the net state economic impact, whichever is less.
45 Loans, equity investments or guaranteed loans may only be provided to feasible projects, and for
46 an amount that is the least amount necessary to cause the project to occur, as determined by the
47 authority. The authority may structure the loans, equity investments or guaranteed loans in a way
48 that facilitates the project, but also provides for a compensatory return on investment or loan
49 payment to the authority, based on the risk of the project.

50 6. In any given year, at least ten percent of the funds granted to rural agricultural business
51 concepts shall be awarded to grant requests of twenty-five thousand dollars or less. No single
52 rural agricultural business concept shall receive more than two hundred thousand dollars in grant
53 awards from the authority. Agricultural businesses owned by minority members or women shall
54 be given consideration in the allocation of funds.

348.432. 1. The tax credit created in this section shall be known as the "New Generation
2 Cooperative Incentive Tax Credit".

3 2. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

4 (1) "Authority", the agriculture and small business development authority as provided

5 in this chapter;

6 (2) "Development facility", a facility producing either a good derived from an
7 agricultural commodity or using a process to produce a good derived from an agricultural
8 product;

9 (3) "Eligible new generation cooperative", a nonprofit cooperative association formed
10 pursuant to chapter 274, RSMo, or incorporated pursuant to chapter 357, RSMo, for the purpose
11 of operating a development facility or a renewable fuel production facility and approved by the
12 authority;

13 (4) **"Employee qualified capital project", an eligible new generation cooperative**
14 **with capital costs greater than fifteen million dollars which will employ at least one**
15 **hundred employees;**

16 (5) **"Large capital project", an eligible new generation cooperative with capital**
17 **costs greater than one million dollars;**

18 (6) "Member", a person, partnership, corporation, trust or limited liability company that
19 invests cash funds to an eligible new generation cooperative;

20 [5] (7) "Renewable fuel production facility", a facility producing an energy source
21 which is derived from a renewable, domestically grown, organic compound capable of powering
22 machinery, including an engine or power plant, and any by-product derived from such energy
23 source;

24 (8) **"Small capital project", an eligible new generation cooperative with capital**
25 **costs of no more than one million dollars.**

26 3. Beginning tax year [1999] **2001**, and subsequent tax years, any member who invests
27 cash funds in an eligible new generation cooperative **and who owns land in Missouri which**
28 **produces a commodity in an amount to cover his or her obligation to deliver such**
29 **commodity to the eligible new generation cooperative in which the member is investing, or**
30 **who, beginning July 1, 2001, is domiciled in the state of Missouri** may receive a credit against
31 the tax **or estimated quarterly tax** otherwise due pursuant to chapter 143, RSMo, other than
32 taxes withheld pursuant to sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo, or chapter 148, RSMo, chapter
33 147, RSMo, in an amount equal to the lesser of fifty percent of such member's investment or
34 fifteen thousand dollars.

35 4. A member shall submit to the authority an application for the tax credit authorized by
36 this section on a form provided by the authority. If the member meets all criteria prescribed by
37 this section and is approved by the authority, the authority shall issue a tax credit certificate in
38 the appropriate amount. Tax credits issued pursuant to this section shall initially be claimed for
39 the taxable year in which the member contributes capital to an eligible new generation
40 cooperative. Any amount of credit that exceeds the tax due for a member's taxable year may be

41 carried back to any of the member's three prior taxable years and carried forward to any of the
42 member's five subsequent taxable years. Tax credits issued pursuant to this section may be
43 assigned, transferred [or], sold or otherwise conveyed and the new owner of the tax credit
44 shall have the same rights in the credit as the member. Whenever a certificate of tax credit
45 is assigned, transferred, sold or otherwise conveyed, a notarized endorsement shall be filed with
46 the authority specifying the name and address of the new owner of the tax credit or the value of
47 the credit.

48 5. [At least] Ten percent of the tax credits authorized pursuant to this section **initially**
49 shall be offered in any fiscal year to **small capital** projects [with capital costs of no more than
50 one million dollars]. If [the amount of tax credits allowed pursuant to this section exceeds the
51 amount needed for such smaller projects, the remaining] **any portion of the ten percent of tax**
52 **credits offered to small capital costs projects is unused in any calendar year, then the**
53 **unused portion of** tax credits may be offered [for projects with capital costs in excess of one
54 million dollars] **to employee qualified capital projects and large capital projects. If the**
55 **authority receives more applications for tax credits for small capital projects than tax**
56 **credits are authorized therefor, then the authority, by rule, shall determine the method of**
57 **distribution of tax credits authorized for small capital projects.**

58 6. [If members of a project would be eligible for tax credits in excess of one million five
59 hundred thousand dollars, tax credits authorized pursuant to this section shall be prorated
60 between the members on a percent of investment basis, not to exceed the maximum allowed per
61 member.] **Ninety percent of the tax credits authorized pursuant to this section initially shall**
62 **be offered in any fiscal year to employee qualified capital projects and large capital**
63 **projects. If any portion of the ninety percent of tax credits offered to employee qualified**
64 **capital projects and large capital costs projects is unused in any fiscal year, then the**
65 **unused portion of tax credits may be offered to small capital projects. The maximum tax**
66 **credit allowed per employee qualified capital project is three million dollars and the**
67 **maximum tax credit allowed per large capital project is one million five hundred thousand**
68 **dollars. If authority approves the maximum tax credit allowed for any employee qualified**
69 **capital project or any large capital project, then the authority, by rule, shall determine the**
70 **method of distribution of such maximum tax credit. In addition, if the authority receives**
71 **more tax credit applications for employee qualified capital projects and large capital**
72 **projects than the amount of tax credits authorized therefor, then the authority, by rule,**
73 **shall determine the method of distribution of tax credits authorized for employee qualified**
74 **capital projects and large capital projects.**

2 **407.857. Retailers who sell and service industrial, maintenance and construction**
power equipment or outdoor power equipment as defined in section 407.850, and who do

3 **warranty repair work for a consumer under provisions of a manufacturer's express**
4 **warranty, shall be reimbursed by the manufacturer for the warranty work at an hourly**
5 **rate that is the same or greater than the hourly labor rate the retailer currently charges**
6 **consumers for nonwarranty repair work.**

409.401. When used in sections 409.101 to 409.419, unless the context otherwise
2 requires:

3 (a) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of securities.

4 (b) "Agent" means any individual other than a broker-dealer who represents a
5 broker-dealer or issuer in effecting or attempting to effect purchases or sales of securities.
6 "Agent" does not include an individual who represents (1) an issuer in (a) effecting transactions
7 in a security exempted by clause (1), (2), (3), (4), (6), (9), (10) or (11) of section 409.402(a), (b)
8 effecting transactions in a security exempted by clause (5) of section 409.402(a), provided such
9 individual prior to the transactions files with the commissioner information on (A) his
10 relationship to the issuer and its affiliates, (B) his proposed methods of soliciting the transactions
11 including sales literature to be used, and (C) commissions and other remuneration he is to receive
12 for effecting the transactions, and such additional information as the commissioner may require,
13 (c) effecting transactions exempted by section 409.402(b), (d) effecting transactions with existing
14 employees, partners or directors of the issuer if no commission or other remuneration is paid or
15 given directly or indirectly for soliciting any person in this state, (e) effecting transactions in a
16 covered security as described in sections 18(b)(3) and 18(b)(4)(D) of the Securities Act of 1933;
17 (2) a broker-dealer in effecting transactions in this state limited to those transactions described
18 in section 15(h)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; or (3) effecting transactions with
19 such other persons as the commissioner may by rule or order designate. A partner, officer, or
20 director of a broker-dealer or issuer, or a person occupying a similar status or performing similar
21 functions, is an agent only if he otherwise comes within this definition.

22 (c) "Broker-dealer" means any person engaged in the business of effecting transactions
23 in securities for the account of others or for his own account. "Broker-dealer" does not include
24 (1) an agent, (2) an issuer, (3) a bank, savings institution, or trust company, or (4) a person who
25 has no place of business in this state if (A) he effects transactions in this state exclusively with
26 or through (i) the issuers of the securities involved in the transactions, (ii) other broker-dealers,
27 or (iii) banks, savings institutions, trust companies, insurance companies, investment companies
28 as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, pension or profit-sharing trusts, or other
29 financial institutions or institutional buyers, whether acting for themselves or as trustees, or (B)
30 the person has fewer than five clients in the state of Missouri, or (5) such other persons as the
31 commissioner may by rule or order designate.

32 (d) "Federal covered adviser" means a person who is (1) registered pursuant to section

33 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940; or (2) is excluded from the definition of
34 "investment adviser" pursuant to section 202(a)(11) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

35 (e) "Federal covered security" means any security that is a covered security pursuant to
36 section 18(b) of the Securities Act of 1933 or rules or regulations promulgated thereunder.

37 (f) "Fraud", "deceit", and "defraud" are not limited to common-law deceit.

38 (g) "Guaranteed" means guaranteed as to payment of principal, interest, or dividends.

39 (h) "Investment adviser" means any person who, for compensation, engages in the
40 business of advising others, either directly or through publications or writings, as to the value of
41 securities or as to the advisability of investing in, purchasing, or selling securities, or who, for
42 compensation and as a part of a regular business, issues or promulgates analyses or reports
43 concerning securities. "Investment adviser" also includes financial planners and other persons
44 who, as an integral component of other financially related services, provide the foregoing
45 investment advisory services to others for compensation and as part of a business or who hold
46 themselves out as providing the foregoing investment advisory services to others for
47 compensation; except that "investment adviser" does not include (1) an investment adviser
48 representative; (2) a bank, savings institution, or trust company; (3) a lawyer, accountant,
49 engineer, or teacher whose performance of these services is solely incidental to the practice of
50 his profession; (4) a broker-dealer or his agent whose performance of these services is solely
51 incidental to the conduct of his business as a broker-dealer and who receives no special
52 compensation for them; (5) a publisher of any bona fide newspaper, news column, newsletter,
53 news magazine, or business or financial publication or service, whether communicated in hard
54 copy form, or by electronic means, or otherwise, that does not consist of the rendering of advice
55 on the basis of the specific investment situation of each client; (6) any person that is a federal
56 covered adviser; or (7) such other persons not within the intent of this subsection as the
57 commissioner may by rule or order designate.

58 (i) "Investment adviser representative" means any partner, officer, director or other
59 individual employed by or associated with an investment adviser, except clerical or ministerial
60 personnel, who is employed by or associated with an investment adviser that is registered or
61 required to be registered pursuant to sections 409.101 to 409.419, or who has a place of business
62 located in this state and is employed by or associated with a federal covered adviser; and who
63 does any of the following: (1) makes any recommendations or otherwise renders advice
64 regarding securities, except that investment adviser representative does not include an individual
65 whose performance of these services is solely incidental to the conduct of his business as an
66 "agent" of a broker-dealer and who receives no special compensation for them, (2) manages
67 accounts or portfolios of clients, (3) determines which recommendation or advice regarding
68 securities should be given, or (4) supervises employees who perform any of the foregoing.

69 (j) "Issuer" means any person who issues or proposes to issue any security, except that
70 (1) with respect to certificates of deposit, voting-trust certificates, or collateral-trust certificates,
71 or with respect to certificates of interest or shares in an unincorporated investment trust not
72 having a board of directors or persons performing similar functions or of the fixed, restricted
73 management, or unit type, the term "issuer" means the person or persons performing the acts and
74 assuming the duties of depositor or manager pursuant to the provisions of the trust or other
75 agreement or instrument under which the security is issued; and (2) with respect to certificates
76 of interest or participation in oil, gas, or mining titles or leases, or in payments out of production
77 under such titles or leases there is not considered to be any "issuer".

78 (k) "Non-issuer" means not directly or indirectly for the benefit of the issuer.

79 (l) "Person" means an individual, a corporation, a partnership, an association, a
80 joint-stock company, a trust where the interests of the beneficiaries are evidenced by a security,
81 an unincorporated organization, a government, or a political subdivision of a government.

82 (m) (1) "Sale" or "sell" includes every contract of sale of, contract to sell, or disposition
83 of, a security or interest in a security for value.

84 (2) "Offer" or "offer to sell" includes every attempt or offer to dispose of, or solicitation
85 of an offer to buy, a security or interest in a security for value.

86 (3) Any security given or delivered with, or as a bonus on account of, any purchase of
87 securities or any other thing is considered to constitute part of the subject of the purchase and to
88 have been offered and sold for value.

89 (4) A purported gift of assessable stock is considered to involve an offer and sale.

90 (5) Every sale or offer of a warrant or right to purchase or subscribe to another security
91 of the same or another issuer, as well as every sale or offer of a security which gives the holder
92 a present or future right or privilege to convert into another security of the same or another
93 issuer, is considered to include an offer of the other security.

94 (6) The terms defined in this subsection do not include (A) any bona fide pledge or loan;
95 (B) any stock dividend, whether the corporation distributing the dividend is the issuer of the
96 stock or not, if nothing of value is given by stockholders for the dividend other than the surrender
97 of a right to a cash or property dividend when each stockholder may elect to take the dividend
98 in cash or property or in stock; (C) any act incident to a class vote by stockholders, pursuant to
99 the certificate of incorporation or the applicable corporation statute, on a merger, consolidation,
100 reclassification of securities, or sale of corporate assets in consideration of the issuance of
101 securities of another corporation; or (D) any act incident to a judicially approved reorganization
102 in which a security is issued in exchange for one or more outstanding securities, claims, or
103 property interests, or partly in such exchange and partly for cash.

104 (n) "Securities Act of 1933", "Securities Exchange Act of 1934", "Public Utility Holding

105 Company Act of 1935", "Investment Advisers Act of 1940", and "Investment Company Act of
106 1940" mean the federal statutes of those names as amended before or after January 1, 1968.

107 (o) "Security" means any note; stock; treasury stock; bond; debenture; evidence of
108 indebtedness; certificate of interest or participation in any profit-sharing agreement;
109 collateral-trust certificate; preorganization certificate or subscription; transferable share;
110 investment contract; limited partnership interest; voting-trust certificate; certificate of deposit
111 for a security; certificate of interest or participation in an oil, gas, or mining title or lease or in
112 payments out of production under such a title or lease; or, in general, any interest or instrument
113 commonly known as a "security", or any certificate of interest or participation in, temporary or
114 interim certificate for, receipt for, guarantee of, or warrant or right to subscribe to or purchase,
115 any of the foregoing. "Security" does not include any insurance or endowment policy or annuity
116 contract under which an insurance company promises to pay money either in a lump sum or
117 periodically for life or for some other specified period.

118 (p) "State" means any state, territory, or possession of the United States, the District of
119 Columbia and Puerto Rico.

120 (q) "Cooperative association" means any association in which farmers act together in
121 processing, preparing for market, handling, and/or marketing the farm products of persons so
122 engaged, and also means any association in which farmers act together in purchasing, testing,
123 grading, processing, distributing and/or furnishing farm supplies and/or farm business services;
124 provided, however, that such associations are operated for the mutual benefit of the members
125 thereof as such producers or purchasers and conform to one or both of the following
126 requirements: (1) no member of the association is allowed more than one vote because of the
127 amount of stock or membership capital he may own therein, and (2) the association does not pay
128 dividends on stock or membership capital in excess of eight percent per year, and in any case to
129 the following: (3) the association does [not deal in farm products, farm supplies, and farm
130 business services with or for nonmembers in an amount greater in value than the total amount
131 of such business transacted by it with or for members] **at least twenty-five percent of its**
132 **business with its members**; further, all business transacted by any cooperative association for
133 or on behalf of the United States or any agency or instrumentality thereof shall be disregarded
134 in determining the volume of member and nonmember business transacted by such association.

414.433. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

2 (1) "B-20", a blend of two fuels of twenty percent by volume biodiesel and eighty
3 percent by volume petroleum-based diesel fuel;

4 (2) "Biodiesel", as defined in ASTM Standard PS121;

5 (3) "Eligible new generation cooperative", a nonprofit farmer-owned cooperative
6 association formed pursuant to chapter 274, RSMo, or incorporated pursuant to chapter 357,

7 RSMo, for the purpose of operating a development facility or a renewable fuel production
8 facility, as defined in section 348.430, RSMo.

9 **2. Beginning with the 2002-2003 school year and lasting through the 2005-2006**
10 **school year, any school district may contract with an eligible new generation cooperative**
11 **to purchase biodiesel fuel for its buses of a minimum of B-20 under conditions set out in**
12 **subsection 3 of this section.**

13 **3. Every school district that contracts with an eligible new generation cooperative**
14 **for biodiesel pursuant to subsection 2 of this section shall receive an additional payment**
15 **through its state school aid payment so that the net price to the contracting district for**
16 **biodiesel will not exceed the market price of regular diesel. The total statewide payments**
17 **shall be limited to seven-tenths percent of the entitlement authorized by section 163.161,**
18 **RSMo, for the 1998-1999 school year. The payment amount may be increased by four**
19 **percent each year during the life of the program. No payment shall be authorized**
20 **pursuant to this subsection or contract required pursuant to subsection 2 of this section if**
21 **moneys are not appropriated by the general assembly.**

22 **4. The department of elementary and secondary education shall promulgate such**
23 **rules as are necessary to implement this section, including but not limited to a method of**
24 **calculating the reimbursement of the contracting school districts and waiver procedures**
25 **if the amount appropriated does not cover the additional costs for the use of biodiesel. No**
26 **rule or portion of a rule promulgated pursuant to this section shall become effective unless**
27 **it has been promulgated pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo.**

578.008. 1. A person commits the crime of spreading disease to livestock or animals
2 **if that person knowingly and intentionally spreads any type of contagious, communicable**
3 **or infectious disease among livestock as defined in section 267.565, RSMo, or other**
4 **animals.**

5 **2. Spreading disease to livestock or animals is a class D felony.**

Section B. Because immediate action is necessary to promote investment in agricultural
2 cooperatives the repeal and reenactment of section 348.432 of section A of this act is deemed
3 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, welfare, peace and safety, and is
4 hereby declared to be an emergency act within the meaning of the constitution, and the repeal
5 and reenactment of section 348.432 of section A of this act shall be in full force and effect upon
6 its passage and approval.